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Applicant: Tomoharu TANAKA et al.

Appl. No.: 09/722,474

Examiner: V. Le

Art Unit: 2824

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Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

a. Previously submitted:

- ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on ____.
- ☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ____ but not considered.
- ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ____.
- ☐ Other ____.

b. Enclosed are:

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- ☐ Amendment/Reply.
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
☒ Information Disclosure Statement.
☒ Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of 25 listed reference(s).
☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

| | Claims as Amended | Previously Paid For | Extra Claims Present | Rate | Fee Totals |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e): | | | | \$770.00 | = \$770.00 |
| Total Claims: | 9 | - 20 | = 0 | x \$18.00 | = \$0.00 |
| Independents | 4 | - 4 | = 0 | x \$86.00 | = \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: | | | | + \$290.00 | = \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: | | | | | = \$770.00 |

- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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|--------------------------|---|------------|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the first month: | \$110.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$420.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the third month: | \$950.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,480.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | \$2,010.00 | \$0.00 |
| | EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL: | | \$0.00 |
| | EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: - | | \$0.00 |
| | EXTENSION FEE TOTAL | | \$0.00 |
| | CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | \$770.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) | | \$0.00 |
| | TOTAL FEE: | | \$770.00 |

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of _____. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

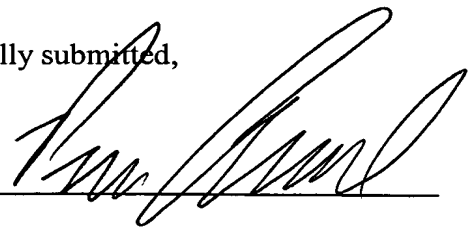
☒ A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

By



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